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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for responding to the office action dated March 31, 2005, be extended for 3 months, to and including September 31, 2005.

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